

<b>CHARGE OF DISCRIMINATION</b>  This form is affected by the Privacy Act of 1974. See enclosed Privacy Act Statement and other information before completing this form.		Charge Presented To:      Agency(ies) Charge No(s):  EEOC <b>443-2023-00742</b>  FEPA					
<b>Wisconsin Equal Rights Division</b> and EEOC <small>State or local Agency, if any</small>							
I Name (indicate Mr., Ms., Mrs., Miss, Mx., Dr., Hon., Rev.) <b>Chad D. Pelishek</b>		HomePhone <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; margin: 0 auto;"></div>					
Year of Birth <div style="text-align: center;">1978</div>							
Street Address <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; margin: 0 auto;"></div> <b>SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081</b>							
Named is the Employer, Labor Organization, Employment Agency, Apprenticeship Committee, or State or Local Government Agency That I Believe Discriminated Against Me or Others. (If more than two, list under PARTICULARS below.)							
Name <b>City of Sheboygan</b>		No. Employees, Members <div style="text-align: center;">15 - 100 Employees</div>					
Phone No. 							
Street Address <b>828 Center Avenue</b> <b>SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081</b>							
Name 		No. Employees, Members 					
Phone No. 							
Street Address 		City, State and ZIP Code 					
DISCRIMINATION BASED ON  <b>Age, Race, Sex</b>		DATE(S) DISCRIMINATION TOOK PLACE  <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Earliest</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Latest</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">08/01/2022</td> <td style="text-align: center;">05/12/2023</td> </tr> </table>		Earliest	Latest	08/01/2022	05/12/2023
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THE PARTICULARS ARE (If additional paper is needed, attach extra sheet(s)).  <p>I. I began my employment with the Respondent in or about June 2007 and was promoted to Director of Planning and Development in 2010. On August 22, 2022, I reported a complaint about a racial slur that was expressed to me by an employee during a staff meeting. I was asked to repeat the racial slur, and I did and later apologized for using the full word. Sheboygan news reporters heard about what happened and articles were published about me implying I was a racist, which is not true. I have asked the city five times to release a follow up to clear the air and they refused. City leaders/superiors asked the public and employees to publicly chastise me and report concerns about me as a racist. One younger female official used the term, and she was promoted. Another younger female city director in another department has used this term and she was protected by the city, not leaked to the media as a racist, and the City launched an investigation to protect her. On or about May 12, 2023, I felt forced to quit.</p> <p>II. I believe I was discriminated against based on my age (YOB: 1978), sex (Male), and race (Caucasian), in violation of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, and in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.</p>							
I want this charge filed with both the EEOC and the State or local Agency, if any. I will advise the agencies if I change my address or phone number and I will cooperate fully with them in the processing of my charge in accordance with their procedures.		NOTARY - When necessary for State and Local Agency Requirements					
I declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct.  <b>Digitally Signed By: Chad D. Pelishek</b>  <b>06/14/2023</b>		I swear or affirm that I have read the above charge and that it is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. SIGNATURE OF COMPLAINANT   SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS DATE <small>(month, day, year)</small>					
Charging Party Signature							

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT:** Under the Privacy Act of 1974, Pub. Law 93-579, authority to request personal data and its uses are:

1. **FORM NUMBER/TITLE/DATE.** EEOC Form 5, Charge of Discrimination (11/09).
2. **AUTHORITY.** 42 U.S.C. 2000e-5(b), 29 U.S.C. 211, 29 U.S.C. 626, 42 U.S.C. 12117, 42 U.S.C. 2000ff-6.
3. **PRINCIPAL PURPOSES.** The purposes of a charge, taken on this form or otherwise reduced to writing (whether later recorded on this form or not) are, as applicable under the EEOC anti-discrimination statutes (EEOC statutes), to preserve private suit rights under the EEOC statutes, to invoke the EEOC's jurisdiction and, where dual-filing or referral arrangements exist, to begin state or local proceedings.
4. **ROUTINE USES.** This form is used to provide facts that may establish the existence of matters covered by the EEOC statutes (and as applicable, other federal, state or local laws). Information given will be used by staff to guide its mediation and investigation efforts and, as applicable, to determine, conciliate and litigate claims of unlawful discrimination. This form may be presented to or disclosed to other federal, state or local agencies as appropriate or necessary in carrying out EEOC's functions. A copy of this charge will ordinarily be sent to the respondent organization against which the charge is made.
5. **WHETHER DISCLOSURE IS MANDATORY; EFFECT OF NOT GIVING INFORMATION.** Charges must be reduced to writing and should identify the charging and responding parties and the actions or policies complained of. Without a written charge, EEOC will ordinarily not act on the complaint. Charges under Title VII, the ADA or GINA must be sworn to or affirmed (either by using this form or by presenting a notarized statement or unsworn declaration under penalty of perjury); charges under the ADEA should ordinarily be signed. Charges may be clarified or amplified later by amendment. It is not mandatory that this form be used to make a charge.

#### **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST SUBSTANTIAL WEIGHT REVIEW**

Charges filed at a state or local Fair Employment Practices Agency (FEPA) that dual-files charges with EEOC will ordinarily be handled first by the FEPA. Some charges filed at EEOC may also be first handled by a FEPA under worksharing agreements. You will be told which agency will handle your charge. When the FEPA is the first to handle the charge, it will notify you of its final resolution of the matter. Then, if you wish EEOC to give Substantial Weight Review to the FEPA's final findings, you must ask us in writing to do so within 15 days of your receipt of its findings. Otherwise, we will ordinarily adopt the FEPA's finding and close our file on the charge.

#### **NOTICE OF NON-RETALIATION REQUIREMENTS**

Please **notify** EEOC or the state or local agency where you filed your charge **if retaliation is taken against you or others** who oppose discrimination or cooperate in any investigation or lawsuit concerning this charge. Under Section 704(a) of Title VII, Section 4(d) of the ADEA, Section 503(a) of the ADA and Section 207(f) of GINA, it is unlawful for an *employer* to discriminate against present or former employees or job applicants, for an *employment agency* to discriminate against anyone, or for a *union* to discriminate against its members or membership applicants, because they have opposed any practice made unlawful by the statutes, or because they have made a charge, testified, assisted, or participated in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under the laws. The Equal Pay Act has similar provisions and Section 503(b) of the ADA prohibits coercion, intimidation, threats or interference with anyone for exercising or enjoying, or aiding or encouraging others in their exercise or enjoyment of, rights under the Act.